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T. ARNOLD,
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Optional Cargoes will be forwarded an unlessered from the Consignees before the 14th inst., to the 16th inst., to the 17th inst., requesting it to be landed.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriters.

Claims remaining undischarged after Monday, the 18th inst., will be subject to the usual limitation of 12 months.

All Claims must be sent to me on or before Monday, the 24th inst., or they will not be received.

All Damaged Packages will be examined on Monday, the 24th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

C. TOURNAIRES, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1896. [488]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received Instructions from Messrs. GILLIAMS & CO.,

Lloyd's Agents, to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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TERMS OF SALE.—One-third of the Purchase Money to be paid on the full of the last day of the auction, within one week from date of Sale.

The Vessel and everything pertaining thereto to be at Purchaser's risk immediately after being knocked down.

For further Particulars apply to

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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1868.

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MARRIAGE.

On the 7th January, at St. Francis de Sales
church, Walton, England, by the Rev. Father Peter
DUN DALTON, Imperial Marquis of the Order
of the Holy Sepulchre, to MARIA GRIMETT, daughter of Mr.
JOHN HOLMES, Derby Road, Kirkdale.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 18TH, 1868.

The penalty imposed by the Police
Institute yesterday on the three Russian
officers accused of sketching the forts will
excite some surprise. If the offence committed
was merely technical and unintentional it would have been sufficient to inform
the defendants of the law and impose no
penalty; if on the other hand they were
really acting as spies they should have been
sent to goal for the full term allowed by
the Ordinance, namely, three months or one
month according to the section under
which they were convicted. The law was
passed with the intention of preventing
sketches of the forts being taken for the
use of foreign Governments, but it is not
likely to have any practical effect if the
only penalty for its contravention is a fine
of \$50. Ignorance could not be pleaded
in the case, for there is no military or naval
officer in the service of any civilised power
who is not well aware of the illegality of
the sketching of fortresses or trespassing in
fortification works. It was remanded in the
course of the trial yesterday that such
conduct as that of Baron GRAEBEN and
his brother lieutenants would not be allowed
at Vladivostock, to which the defendants'
solicitor replied that here were no enlightened
which was rather a backhanded compliment
to his clients' Government, the implication
being that Russia is not enlightened. The
utility of the Defence Sketching Prevention
Ordinance may, however, be called in question.
Trespassing can be prevented by the
posting of sentries, but it is hardly likely
that any legal penalties will prevent
foreign Governments collecting all the in-
formation obtainable outside the lines.
General CAMON, speaking in public in
Hongkong on one occasion, before anything
had been heard of the Sketching Ordinance,
said: "There is now nothing secret about
the profession of arms. We may make our
fortifications, or do anything, and it is all
as clear to any one as the moonlight, and
you may depend upon it that the
army which wins in future will be the
army which does everything the most
thoroughly." We are somewhat inclined
to agree with His Excellency. If the
penalty for sketching were penal servitudefor life no doubt foreign Governments
would be able to secure spies willing
to incur the risk. The Ordinance is
somewhat absurd, too, in making a distinction
between the offence of sketching and
that of being found in the immediate vicinity
of military works with the intention of
sketching—three months being the maximum
penalty in one case and one month in the
other. It cannot make any difference to
the criminality of the act whether the
offender is detected before he has commenced
to sketch or afterwards, provided the intention
is clearly proved. However, the law
must be taken as it stands, and it certainly
allows a large discretion to the Magistrate,
who may inflict a merely nominal penalty
if that appears to him to meet the justice of
the case, or may send the offender to goal
without the option of a fine. But it is
evident, as a matter of common sense, that
only drastic penalties will have any effect
in carrying out the intention of the legis-
lature. It may be doubted whether, even
drastic penalties would be effective, but a
fifty dollars fine imposed upon gentlemen in
the position of Baron GRAEBEN, Lieut.
EDANCINE, and Lieut. SHANXOLINNICKS
is no penalty at all.The German gunboat *Ursula* left here yesterday
for Canton.The P. & O. steamer *Indus* left Bombay
for this port on the 15th inst.There were 2,047 visitors to the City Hall
Museum last week, of whom 124 were Europeans.The N. P. Co.'s steamer *Satrapa* left
Hongkong via weast ports of call,
on Friday, the 14th inst.Three members of the Portsmouth Police
Force have accepted service in the constabulary of
Hongkong. They have signed for five
years.The American cruiser *Aurora*, which recently
reached the port, will be replaced on the
Portsmouth station by the *Sparta*, which is due next
month.The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Dardanel*, from
Liverpool, left Singapore on the morning of the
16th and will be expected here on or about
Saturday, the 22nd inst.The China Mutual steamer *Teekoo*, from
Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the
15th inst., and may be considered due Peking
on about the 1st prox.We (London and China Express) learn on
what authority that there is no foundation
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S. S. "PRINZ HEINRICH."

The above-named steamer having arrived; Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored in their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optical cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given to-day, before noon.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, clashed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 17th instant, at 3 p.m.

All claims must reach us before the 10th inst. or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by MELCHERS & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1896. [440]

VESSEL ON THE BERTH

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"CATHERINE A'CAR."

Captain J. G. Oliphant will be despatched for the above ports to-day, the 18th inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1896. [440]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Steamship

"SUNGKIAK."

Captain C. B. N. Dodd, will be despatched to the 15th inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1896. [440]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE Steamship

"NANCHANG."

Captain T. H. T. T. will be despatched on MONDAY, the 24th inst.

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Hongkong, 12th February, 1896. [440]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"NESTOR"

are hereby notified that the cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will lie at Consignee's risk. The cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 15th inst.

Goods delivered after the 21st inst. will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 a.m. on the 22nd inst.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

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Hongkong, 12th February, 1896. [440]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, VENICE, PORT SAID, SUEZ, JEDDAH, SUAKIM, MASSAWAH, RODEDDA, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"MARIA TERESA"

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

This vessel brings on cargo.

From Trieste ex.s.s. *Imperator*, transhipped at Calcutta ex.s.s. *Ajanta*, transhipped

From Venice ex.s.s. *Moneta*, transhipped at Trieste.

From Calcutta ex.s.s. *Formentor*, transhipped at Port Said.

Optical cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given before noon.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the undersigned before noon on the 15th instant, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 15th instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by S. A. MELCHERS & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1896. [440]

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, NEW PORT, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamer

"OOLONG"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the office of the Undersigned before noon on the 24th instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, clashed, and damaged goods to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th instant, at 3 o'clock p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 15th instant will be subject to rent.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before noon.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1896. [449]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON VIA SINGAPORE AND COCHIN.

THE Company's Steamer

"NINGCHOW."

Having arrived as above, the steamer will be despatched to-morrow, the 18th inst., at noon.

For Freight or Passage apply to

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1896. [440]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI AND CHEFOO.

THE Steamship

"KWEILIN."

Captain Harris, will be despatched to-morrow, the 18th inst.

For Freight or Passage apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1896. [443]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND, TORONTO, SYDNEY, AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamer

"TAIYUAN."

Captain R. Nelson, will be despatched to-morrow, the 19th inst., at 3 p.m.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First Class Cabins are situated forward of the Cabin Deck. A Refreshing Cabin will be provided for the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried, and the vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1896. [443]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, HAMBURG, AND HAMBURG & CO.

THE Steamship

"BEDFORD CASTLE."

Ferguson Master, will land here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1896. [442]

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

DESTINATION

VESSEL'S NAME

T. & G. & CO.

CAPTAIN

FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO

TO BE DESPATCHED

ON 27th INST. OF NOON.

ON 2nd MARCH.

ON OR ABOUT 5th MARCH.

ON OR ABOUT 20th MARCH.

ON OR ABOUT 22nd INST.

TODAY, AT NOON.

ON 1st APRIL.

ON 1st MAY.

ON 1st JUNE.

ON 1st JULY.

ON 1st AUGUST.

ON 1st SEPTEMBER.

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